

## PURCHASING ITEM FOR COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Agenda Item Number:

38

**2. Council Meeting Date**: July 28, 2016

TO:

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL** 

3. Date Prepared: July 7, 2016

THROUGH:

**CITY MANAGER** 

4. Requesting Department: Police

5. SUBJECT: Purchase of Mobile Communication Services

**6. RECOMMENDATION**: Staff recommends City Council approve the utilization of State of Arizona/Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract No. ADSPO13-034099, with Verizon Wireless, for the purchase of mobile communication services for FY 2016-17, in the amount of \$128,524.

7. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Mobile Data Center (MDC) is the centerpiece of all communication infrastructure police officers use in the field to perform their daily functions. These units are located in all police vehicles and must stay in contact with the central dispatch center via industry standard encrypted wireless communication technologies. The importance of these units properly working and communicating is critical enough that a failed MDC, in most cases, means the vehicle is pulled from service because of the significant threat to officer safety.

The communication between the mobile units and the station provide the officer in the field with capabilities for:

- Computer-aided dispatch features.
- Communication with dispatchers, emergency calltakers, and supervisors.
- · Access to many law enforcement information systems.
- Ability to write reports and input Records Management System data.
- Access to City GIS information and maps.
- Automatic vehicle location systems for emergency response.
- Emergency notification systems for officer in trouble/backup assistance situations.
- **8. EVALUATION PROCESS**: The Arizona State Procurement Office adopted the WSCA contract through the signing of a Participating Addendum, thus making it a cooperative contract for statewide public entities to utilize. Staff recommends cooperative use of this contract because it has been determined that Verizon Wireless provides the best wireless service for the critical communication needs of the Police Department.
- **9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**: Mobile communications funds are available in 101-2065-5511 (General Fund Police Technology Telephone Services Non-Toll).
- **10. PROPOSED MOTION**: Move City Council approve the utilization of State of Arizona/Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract No. ADSPO13-034099, with Verizon Wireless, for the purchase of mobile communication services for FY 2016-17, in the amount of \$128,524.

APPROVALS

11. Requesting Department

Bill Edel, Police Technology Manager

12. Procurement Officer

Carolee Stees, CPPB

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13. Department Head

Sean Duggan, Chief of Police

14. City Manager

Marsha Reed